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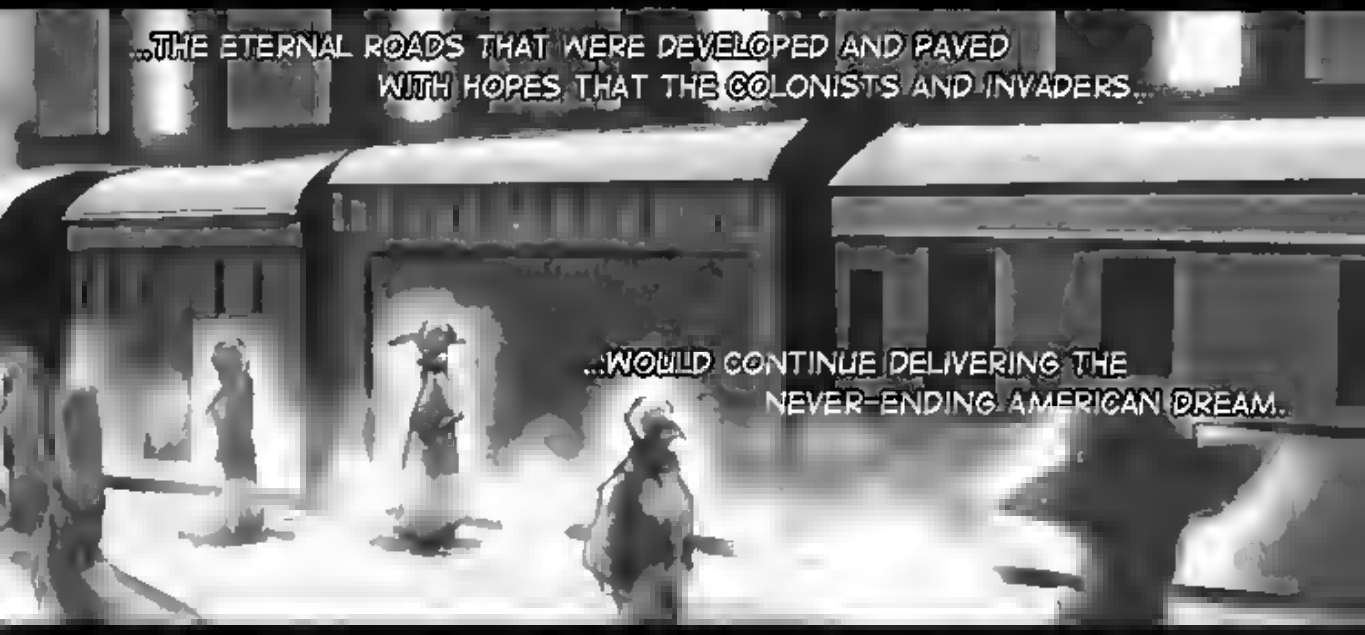
ALL PATHWAYS RAN ALONG THE TRACKS...


...THE ETERNAL ROADS THAT WERE DEVELOPED AND PAVED WITH HOPES THAT THE COLONISTS AND INVADERS...
...WOULD CONTINUE DELIVERING THE NEVER-ENDING AMERICAN DREAM.

OR AT LEAST, THE FEW LUCKY PEOPLE BELIEVED THIS TO BE SO...

Prologue 1: 『Homicidal Maniac』

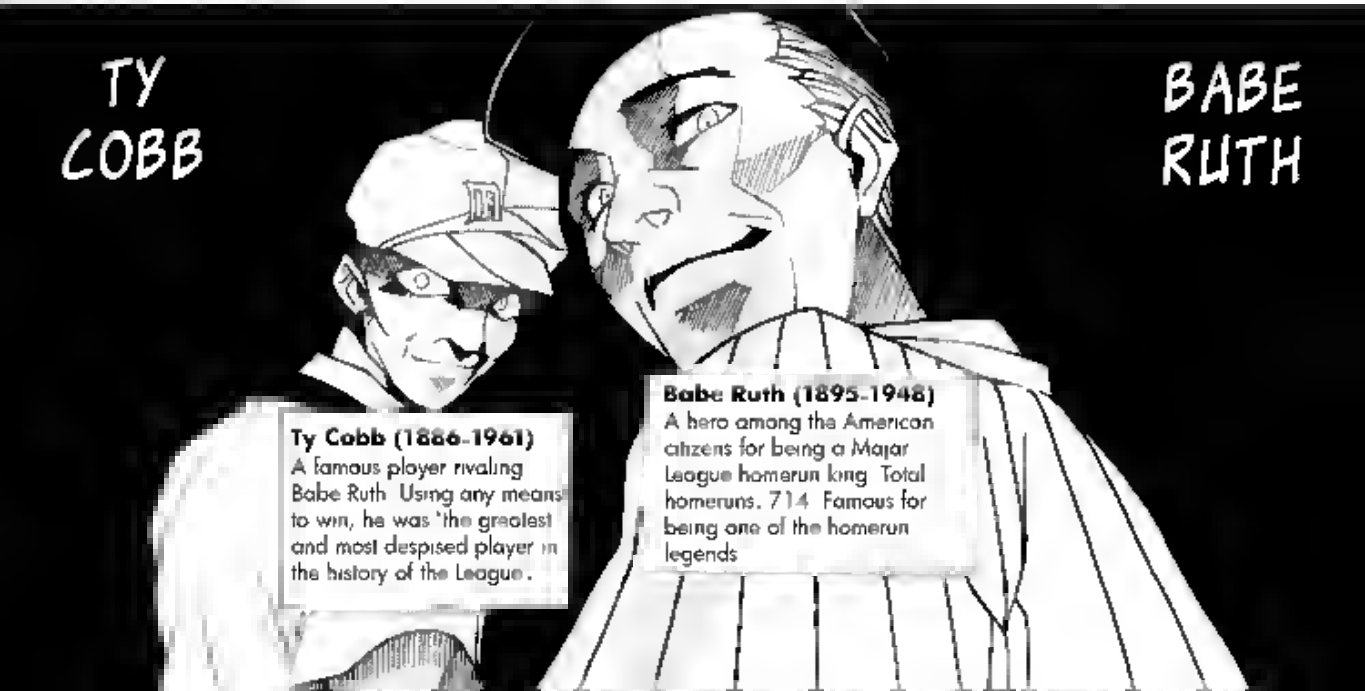
30 DECEMBER 1931. AFTERNOON.
SOMEWHERE IN CHICAGO, PLACID
RUSSO'S MANSION...

IT WAS THE WORST DAY OF HIS LIFE.

THE RUSSO FAMILY BOSS, PLACID RUSSO,
GRIPPED HIS HEAD WITH HIS HANDS.

GANGSTERS, WHO HAD OBTAINED POWER THROUGH SECRETLY MANUFACTURED ALCOHOL, WERE SINGING EULOGIES IN THEIR HEYDAY.
DURING THIS ERA IN AMERICA, THE TRADE OF ALCOHOL WAS PROHIBITED.
THE RUSSO FAMILY WAS ONE OF THE ORGANIZATIONS DREAMING OF BECOMING A LEGEND.
THE RISE OF AL CAPONE AND THE GREAT REFORMATION OF THE UNDERWORLD WERE CAUSED BY LUCKY LUCIANO. AT THE LEGENDARY CENTER OF THESE EVENTS, CHICAGO—
WHACK!
BUT TODAY, WHEN THEY ROBBED TO FULFILL THIS DREAM, THE ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF CASH...
...WAS STOLEN IN TRANSIT.

GUA !!?
GE H!?
BAH AH!
Bring it on!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BABE RUTH
Ty Cobb (1886-1961)
A famous player rivaling Babe Ruth. Using any means to win, he was "the greatest and most despised player in the history of the League".
Babe Ruth (1895-1948)
A hero among the American citizens for being a Major League homerun king. Total homeruns, 714. Famous for being one of the homerun legends

THAT'S WHY I SAID THEY WERE IDIOTS.
NO... TO BE PRECISE. THE TRANSPORTERS TESTIFIED THAT IT WAS A COUPLE DRESSED UP AS THE BASEBALL KINGS.
DID NOT YIELD A SINGLE CROP OF PATIENTS FOR THE ASYLUM BEDS
THE PATIENT. FORCEFUL CARING TO GET THE TRANSPORTERS TO REMEMBER THE TRUTH...
STOP IT, UNCLE.
TURN UP THE HEAT ON EVERY SINGLE COUPLE ON THE STREETS TOMORROW!!
YOU SHIT-HEADS!

PEOPLE WILL THINK IT'S THE INFERIORITY COMPLEX OF AN UNPOPULAR OLD MAN
WHAT IS IT, LADD?
I DON'T HAVE TIME TO DEAL WITH YOU NOW.
GET OUT OF MY SIGHT.

HEY!
HEY!
HEY!
YOU'RE BEING HASTY.
I WAS JUST TRYING TO HELP.

I HAVE NO TIME TO SPARE FOR MY IDIOTIC NEPHEW.
RIGHT— UNCLE—
AND THE BAD NEWS WASN'T JUST LIMITED TO THE DISGUISED ROBBER-COUPLE:

OUR TURF WAS RAVAGED. WE NEEDED TO PUNISH THEIR ACTIONS AND TEACH THEM THE RULES OF SOCIETY.
TO THE ONE LEADER AND HIS SEVERAL FOLLOWERS...

POWDERED CINDERS WERE DISCOVERED ON THE STREETS...
FURIGANA FOR CINDERS: BACON CHIP (BEKONCHIPPU). LOL?

THEY THOUGHT IT WAS JUST A GROUP OF DE-LINQUENTS...?
?
LADD?
WHAT HAPPENED TO THE GUARDS?
I CLEARLY TOLD YOU TO GET OUT.
WHY ARE YOU STILL HERE?!
YOU SURE TALK HARSHLY, HUH, UNCLE?

BURN DOWN THE FOREST, THE GRASS TO ITS VERY ROOTS AND FIND THE CULPRITS!
AND, WHY WERE THERE SO FREAKIN' MANY DEATHS?
WRING THEIR THROATS!! WRING THEM EVEN WHEN FROTH COMES FROM THEIR MOUTHS!!!
MONEY, MONEY OH MONEY, THE NEXT MOST IMPORTANT THING TO YOUR PRECIOUS LIFE ..
WAS STOLEN BY OTHERS?
EVEN WHEN THEIR EYEBALLS ARE ABOUT TO POP OUT, KEEEEEEP STRANGLING THEM——!!!!
DON'T LUMP ME TOGETHER WITH YOU,
YOU HOMICIDAL MANIAC!

564 DOLLARS AND 64 CENTS.
DO YOU KNOW HOW MUCH MONEY AND EFFORT WE'VE HAD TO USE TO DATE,
JUST TO DEAL WITH YOUR PLAYFUL KILLING SPREES?
COM-PARED TO OTHERS' LIVES IT'S JUST A PITTANCE AIN'T IT?

THIS MAN, LADD RUSSO, LIVES TO KILL.

HE DIDN'T DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN MEN OR WOMEN, KINGS OR QUEENS...
VOLUNTEERING HIMSELF AS AN UNSAVOURY CHARACTER, THIS ABNORMAL PERSON...
THE HAPPINESS FROM KILLING, GREEDILY PURSUING THIS FEELING
...WAS A FOOL, WHO WAS USED AS A PRUNER - AN
HE CRUSHED THEM ALL.
THE RULES OF THE GAME OR THE ORDER OF PLAY DIDN'T MATTER,
THE TYPICAL 「HORRIFIC KILLER」

BUT WHILE WORKING, LADD RUSSO ALWAYS HAD A SMILE ON HIS FACE.

DOING ONE'S HOBBIES AS WORK DOESN'T NECESSARILY BRING HAPPINESS, SAID A KNOWER WITH A SMUG LOOK.

KILLING, KILLING, KILLING, KILLING, KILLING, KILLING, KILLING, KILLING, KILLING.

WILDLY, WILDLY, WILDLY, WILDLY, WILDLY, WILDLY, WILDLY, WILDLY, WILDLY, WILDLY, WILDLY.

EVILLY, EVILLY, EVILLY, EVILLY, EVILLY, EVILLY, EVILLY, EVILLY, EVILLY, EVILLY, EVILLY, EVILLY,

WHILE

SCORNING, LAUGHING, RIDICULING,

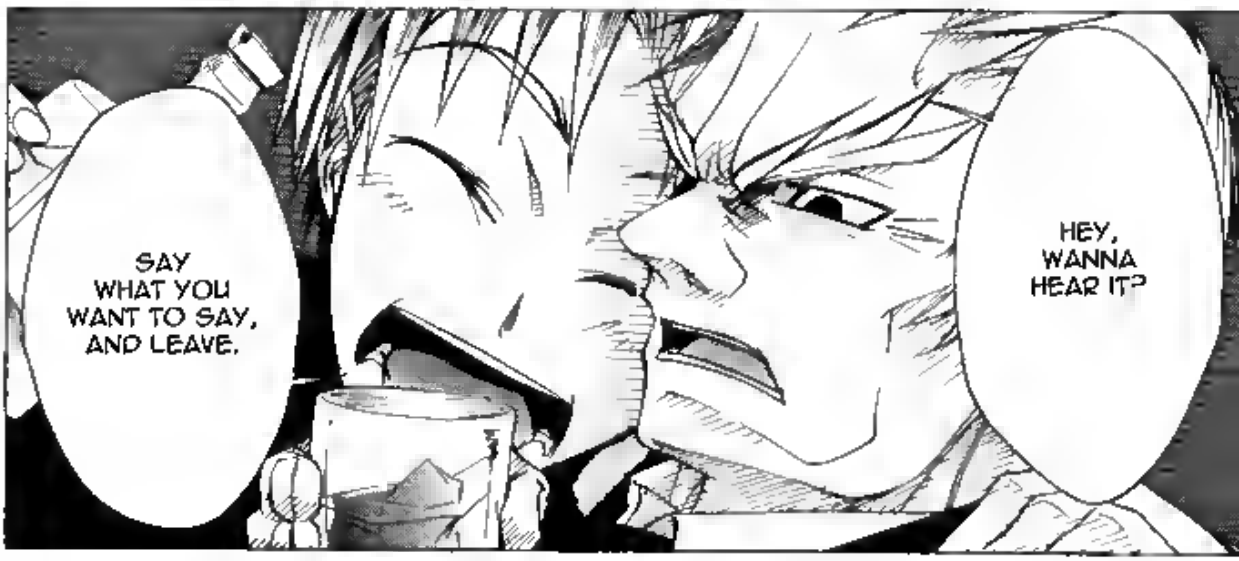
A HEDONIST...

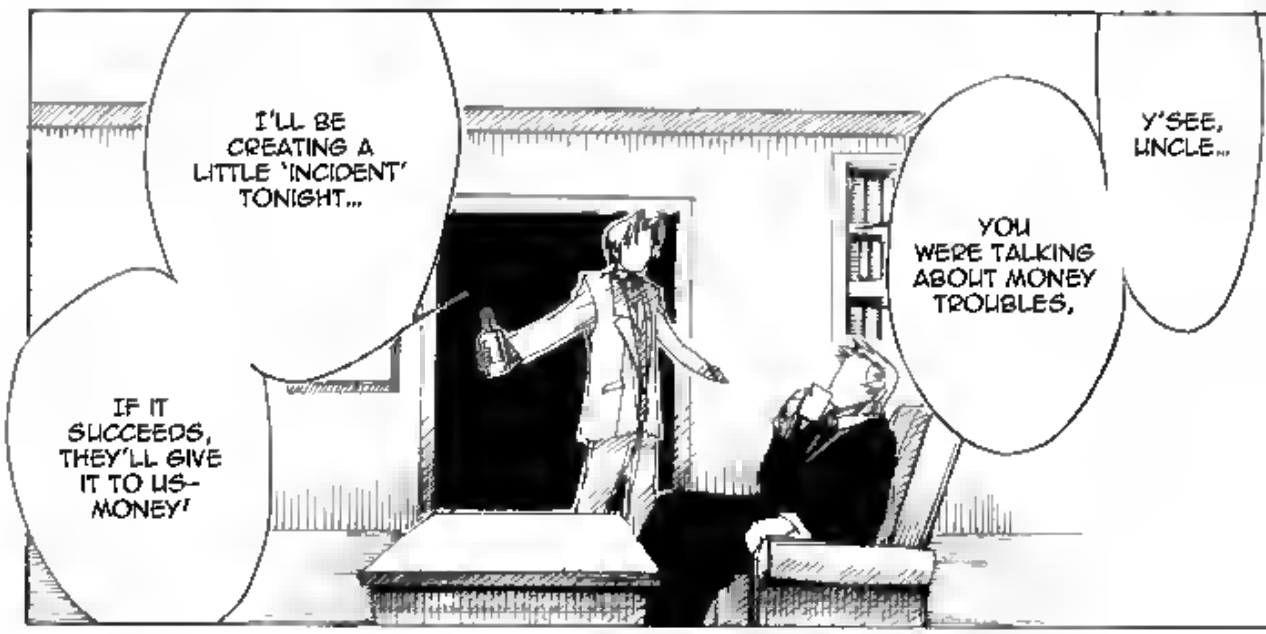
LIKE HE WAS HAPPY.
LIKE HE WAS HAPPY.
LIKE HE WAS HAPPY.

LIKE HE WAS HAVING FUN.
LIKE HE WAS PLEASED.
LIKE HE WAS AMUSED.
LIKE HE WAS ECSTATIC.

I CAME BY WITH SOME GOOOOD NEWS!

NOW, NOW...

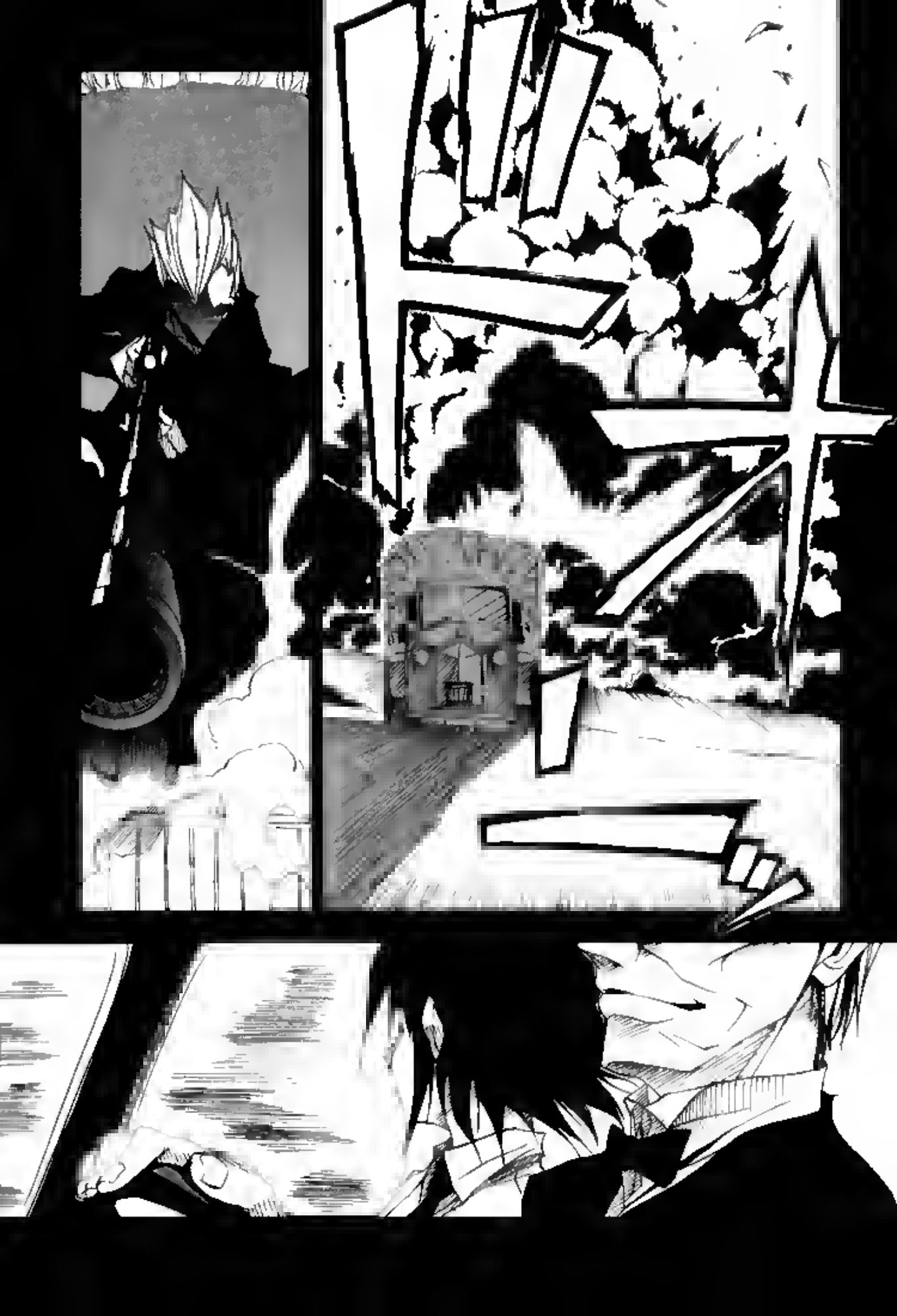

SAY WHAT YOU WANT TO SAY, AND LEAVE.
HEY, WANNA HEAR IT?


I'LL BE CREATING A LITTLE 'INCIDENT' TONIGHT...
IF IT SUCCEEDS, THEY'LL GIVE IT TO US- MONEY!
YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT MONEY TROUBLES,
Y'SEE, UNCLE...

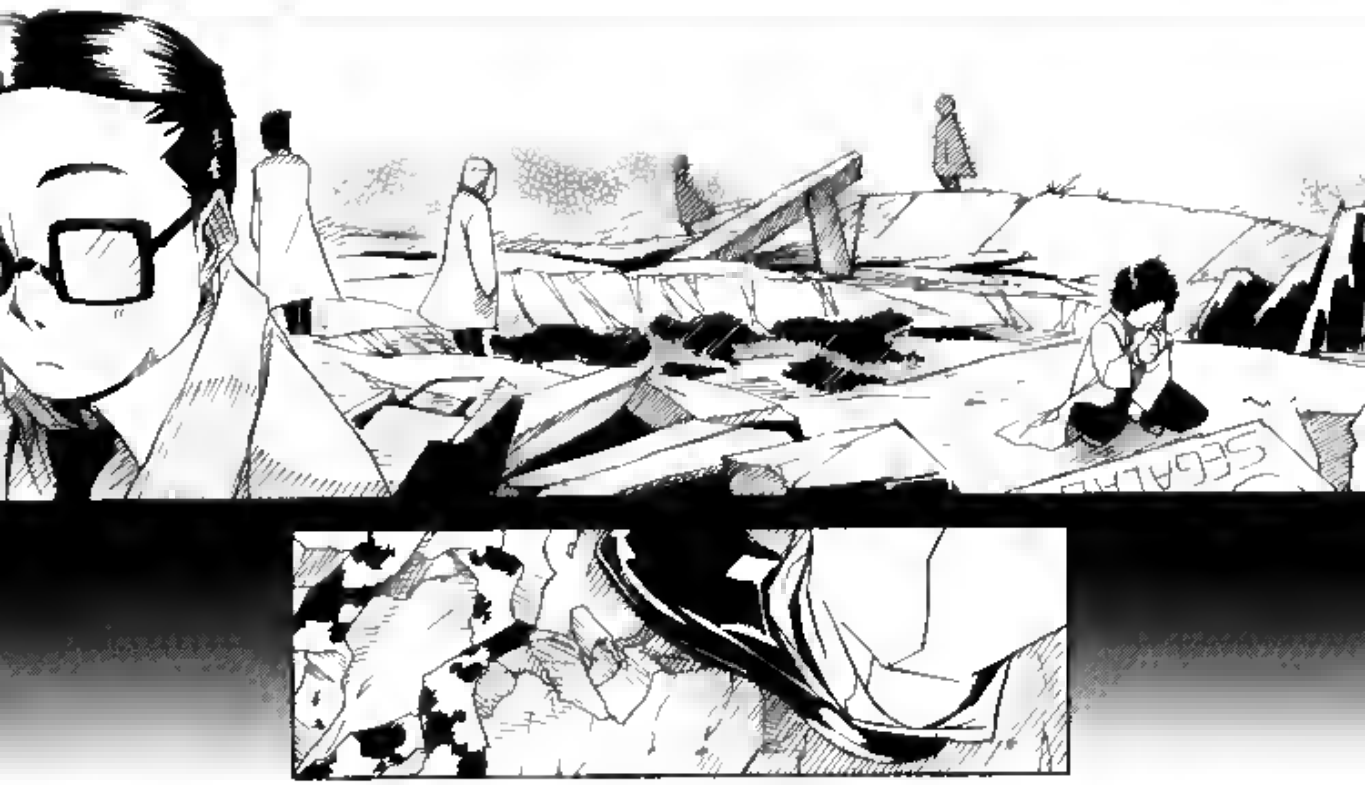
WHAT IS THIS? THERE'S A SPECIAL EXPRESS TRAIN THAT LEAVES FROM CHICAGO UNION IN THE EVENING
THE FLYING PUSSYFOOT!!
IT'S A NON-STOP ONE THAT GOES STRAIGHT TO NEW YORK.
I'LL BE HIJACKING THAT...
...AND CRASHING IT STRAIGHT INTO THE HEART OF MANHATTAN!!!
GET OUT.

I HAVEN'T FINISHED! I STILL HAVE MORE TO SA-
NO, NO, NO. WAIT...
IF MY CRAZED NEPHEW GOES ON ANY LONGER, I'LL NEED TO BE SENT TO AN ASYLUM...
UNCLE —
OOH... GUH...
DAMN IT!!
EVEN THE GUYS I WAS SUPPOSED TO MEET TODAY, THOSE "ANTI-TERRORIST" FELLAS, NOT EVEN A WORD.

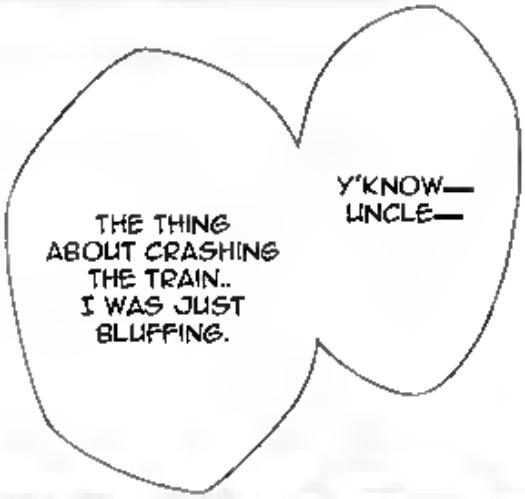
Go...
GOOOOOO
SSEEE——!!!



IT WAS SAID THAT RUBBLE AND ROASTED CORPSES WERE TUMBLING AROUND THE RENDEZVOUS SPOT.



IF NEIDA SPILT THE BEANS ABOUT OUR RELATIONSHIP, HE MIGHT TURN ON US WITH THE TERRORISTS...
AND WE WON'T BE ABLE TO CRUSH THOSE RASCALS...


Y'KNOW— UNCLE—
THE THING ABOUT CRASHING THE TRAIN.. I WAS JUST BLUFFING.

LADD...
WE'LL IMMEDIATELY TURN IT— INTO A KIDNAPPING OF PASSENGERS.
THREATEN THEM FIRST, DON'CHA AGREE? AND IF THEY DON'T PAY UP...
LADD!
I THINK THE RAILWAY COMPANY WILL PAY US, MONEY, THAT'S WHAT THEY'LL PAY US...
AND WELL, AS FOR ME... AROUND HALF THE PASSENGERS? MAYBE MORE?
I'LL KILL 'EM OFF.
LADD!!
GET TO KILL PEOPLE AND MAKE SOME [illegible]...
—YEAH.
SO TO CONCLUDE, UNCLE...

Y'KNOW—
UNCLE—
THE THING ABOUT CRASHING THE TRAIN IS ACTUALLY—
LA...
LADD?
.?

WHAT?! WHO ARE YOU GUYS?! HUH?!
VICKY, YOU'RE AFTER ME.
HUH? REALLY?
WHERE'S LADD?! HEY LADD!!
TAKE THESE TWO IDIOTS AWAY!!
GEEZ—
DAMN, IT WAS JUST A LITTLE BIT MORE—
I'M HERE, UNCLE.

NOTICE THAT THIS HOUSE...
I'VE BEEN CHASED OUT TIME AND TIME AGAIN, BUT I HAVE RETURNED, YEAH?
...IS FULL OF SOMETHING! ME!
SO YOU ASKED THE GUARD FOR HELP, YEAH?
ASKED ME, DRESSED UP AS THE GUARD, FOR HELP, YEAH?
BUT THE GUARD WAS REALLY ME—!!

SURPRISED, YEAH?
CRAPPED YOUR PANTS, YEAH?
COMPLETELY SURROUNDED BY ME, YEAH—?
UNCLE...
WHAAA!?
LADD—!?

AH— LEMME INTRODUCE US, WE'RE LADD RUSSO!
THESE ARE MY SUBORDINATES AND FRIENDS WHO SHARE THE SAME HOBBY AS ME.
AND THIS GIRL IS LUA.
MY LOVER AND GIRLFRIEND AND FIANCÉ. SO TREAT HER WELL, UNCLE.
AH... UM... HELLO...
SHE'S REALLY QUIET
WELL...
SHE COUNTER-BALANCES MY HIGH TENSION.
AH— THAT'S WHY...
WE MATCH?

UNDERSTAND THIS, YOU SHITTY BRAT!
SHUT UP!!!
WHETHER IT'S KIDNAPPING, OR MURDERING, DO WHATEVER YOU LIKE, AND DIE HOWEVER YOU LIKE...
KILLING IS ONLY FUN IF IT'S JUST SOMETHING I DO FOR MY OWN PLEASURE, YEAH? USING THE ORGANIZATION'S NAME WILL RUIN THE FUN, Y'KNOW.
BUT, DO IT AS A JOHN DOE WHO HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH OUR ORGANIZATION!!

IF YOU LIKE KILLING SO MUCH, THEN BECOME A MERCENARY AND GO TO THE BATTLE-FIELDS IN SOUTH AMERICA!
IF YOU UNDER-STAND, THEN SHUT YOUR MOUTH!!
CALLING ME A MERCENARY IS RATHER RUDE, DON'CHA THINK?
YOU HIDE ON THE BATTLE FIELD WHILE KILLING THE STRONG AND DEVOUR AS YOU PLEASE!
SHUT YOUR FILTHY TRAP!
THAT'S YOUR WISH, ISN'T IT?

UNDER-STAND?
UNCLE?
GAA AAA AAAAAA AAHHH!!!
AAH...
I'M NOT REALLY INTERESTED IN KILLING THOSE KINDS OF PEOPLE
GUYS WHO'LL KILL PEOPLE KNOWING THAT THEY'LL BE KILLED, YEAH?
THAT'S THE GATHERING POINT FOR SOLDIERS... SOLDIERS.
BATTLE-FIELDS? OUT OF THE QUESTION.
I GET IT.
I GET YOU COM-PLETELY, UNCLE...

YOU'RE PISSING ME OFF!!
E-EVEN IF I TRIED TO UNDER-STAND YOU, I CAN'T!

...RELAXED GUYS...
I KILL...
...I ENJOY KILLING...
GUARDS... WHAT'RE THOSE GUARDS DOING?!
...IT DOESN'T EVEN...
...CROSS THEIR MINDS...
THE VERY THOUGHT THAT THEY COULD BE KILLED...
WHO ARE SOMEWHERE ABSOLUTELY SAFE.
WHERE ARE..
THOSE KINDA GUYS.
THE GUARDS..

UWAA AAAA AAAA AAAA AH!!!
SOMEONE LIKE YOU...
HE- HEY...
WAIT-!
FOR EXAMPLE...
WAIT A SEC, LADD...
STOP IT, LADD, PUT DOWN THE GUNS!

...GUU
BUA...
click
BUA HAHA HAHA HAAA!!

THERE WEREN'T ANY BULLETS OR ANYTHING ELSE LOADED, Y'KNOW—? UNCLE—!!
WHY WOULD I KILL YOU?
NOPE, NOPE...
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LADD,
WE'VE GOTTA GO SOON. OTHERWISE WE'LL MISS THE TRAIN, OK?
AH .. REAAALLY?
THEN BYE— UNCLE.
I'VE BEEN IN YOUR CARE UNTIL NOW...
EVEN SOMEONE LIKE ME HAS SOME SENSE OF GRATITUDE YEAH?
Y-YEAH..
WHAT?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
WE WON'T BE SEEING EACH OTHER AHAIN.

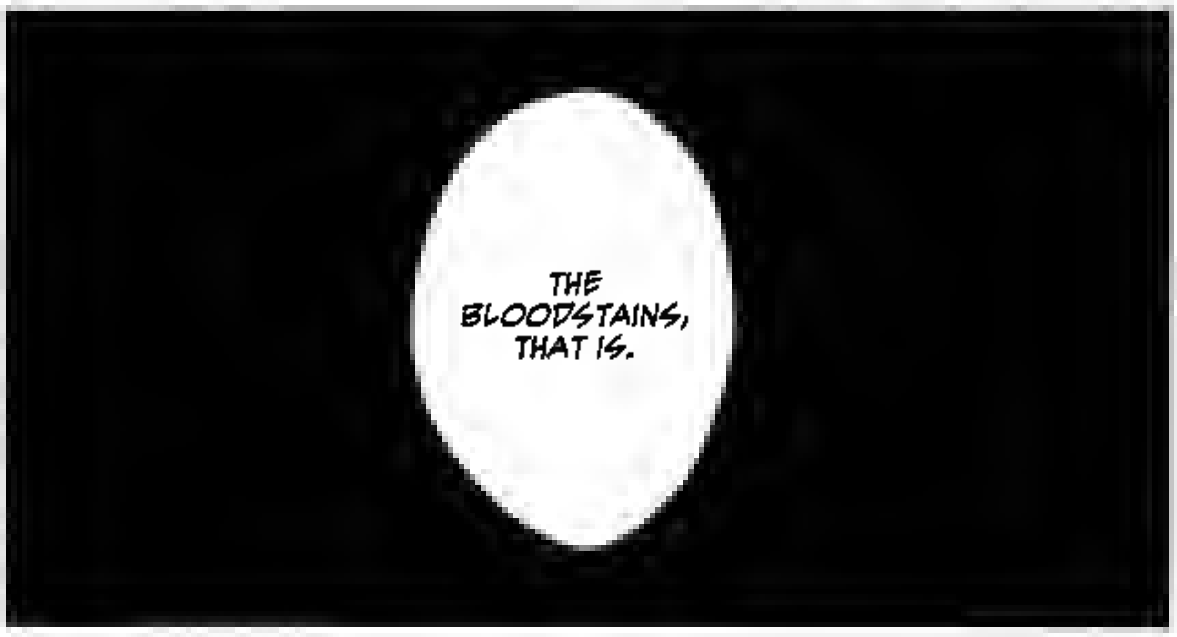
YOU'RE LEAVING THE ORGANIZATION? DOING THINGS AT YOUR OWN CONVE-NIENCE—
WRONG.
IT'S CHECKMATE.
...WHAT IS?
YOU WERE ACTING GREEDY DURING LUCIANO'S REFORMS, YEAH?
AND ON TOP OF THAT, THE TAX OFFICE AND THE COPS ARE KEEPING AN EYE ON THE TROUBLE THIS TIME.
WHA-
WHAT—

YOU'RE GOING TO BECOME A SCAPEGOAT...
...SO THAT CHICAGO CAN BE FREE FROM THE HANDS OF THE MAFIA.
WELL, IT'S NOT LIKE THE SACRIFICE OF A SCAPEGOAT LIKE YOU IS GONNA HAVE MUCH OF AN EFFECT...
NO MATTER HOW THINGS TURN OUT, IT WON'T CHANGE...
THE FACT THAT THIS FAMILY IS FINISHED ALREADY...
THAT'S. NON SENSE .

PLUS, I WON'T BE ABLE TO SATISFACTORILY CLEAN UP THE CORPSE.
THEN, I CAN KILL MERRILY WITHOUT ANY WORRIES.
IF IT WERE THE OLD YOU, YOU PROBABLY WOULD'VE RECOVERED BY NOW... BUT Y'KNOW...
IT'S NOOOOOT THE SAME...
...AS HIDING IN THE COUNTRYSIDE AND SPENDING PEACEFUL TIMES WITH CUTE GRANDSONS...
JUST WHY ...WHY DID YOU COME HERE?
QU-QUICKLY SCRAM!

AAAAH—! YEAH, YEAH.... THERE'S THAT, THAT! I ALMOST FORGOT.
WE CAME IN WEARING WHITE SUITS, RIGHT?
MAN, MINE SURE LOOKS WORN-OUT AND CRUMPLED...
THAT'S BECAUSE WE'RE CELEBRATING MY MARRIAGE WITH LUA...THOUGH I DUNNO WHEN WE'RE GONNA GET MARRIED...
.....
COME TO THINK OF IT, WHY'RE YOU ALL...
...IN WHITE?

DON'CHA THINK IT'D BE COOL TO HAVE THEM STAND OUT AGAINST THE WHITE?
I'LL BE ON A KILLING SPREE ON THE TRAIN AFTER THIS, REMEMBER?


THE BLOODSTAINS, THAT IS.

LOOK, LOOK!
THE SIZE IS PERFECT, SO IT LOOKS GREAT, DOESN'T IT?
IT DOESN'T SUIT YOU.
WHA-!?
YOU'RE KIDDIN'.

IT'S NOT LIKE YOU TO LEAVE HIM ALIVE..
WIG
I GOT REALLY WORKED UP WHEN I THOUGHT YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT THE SUITS, Y'KNOW.
AH— IT'S ABOUT UNCLE, HUH?
WHY?
HM—... THAT'S TRUE—

THAT SHITTY LADD!
FUCK!
THERE ARE MANY EXCELLENT UNDER-LINGS...
THAT'S RIGHT, I HAVE A LOT OF THEM!!
DON'T GET COCKY JUST BECAUSE YOU KNOCKED OUT A FEW GUARDS!
DID I, PLACID, BECOME WEAK?
THE RUSSO FAMILY IS EVER-LASTING!
FIRST IT'LL BE YOU BASTARD, LADD...
AND THEN WE'LL KILL LUCIANO!

HAVEN'T I SAID THIS BEFORE?

I KILL PEOPLE LIKE THIS BECAUSE...
IT'S SO-MUCH-FUN—♪

GUH.
OOH..
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...HMPH...

BEFORE THE FEAST, LET US STARVE A LITTLE WHILE LONGER...
YOU'RE THE WORST, LADD
YOU DISLIKE ME THAT MUCH?

NOW, LET'S GO!
TO LOVE THE PITIFUL PASSENGERS AS IF THEY WERE CATTLE FOR SLAUGHTER,
TO LOVE...
TO HATE...
TO HATE THEM AS IF THEY WERE MAGGOTS....
TO THOROUGHLY, THOROUGHLY CRUSH THEM, AM I RIGHT?
HA HA ...
BUA HAHAA!
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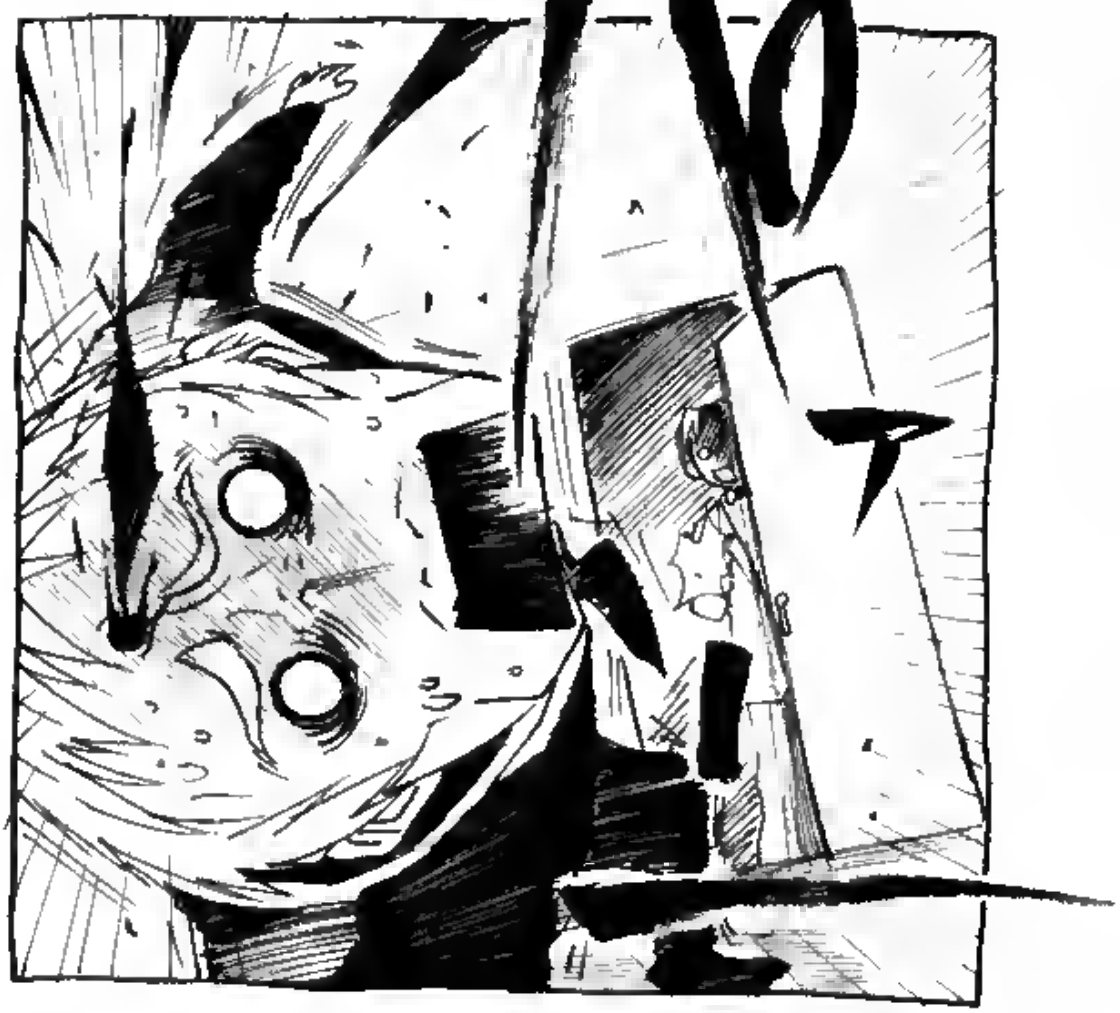

ON SHOOTING PLACID DEAD:

WHILE PLANNING LADD'S AND PLACID'S MEETING IN THE FIRST CHAPTER, I FELT THERE WAS NO NEED FOR PLACID TO ENTER THE SCENE AGAIN, SO I SAID TO TANTOU-SAN, "SHOULD WE KILL OFF PLACID?" *LAUGH*

Holy sh*t.

(Dude just got pwned)

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HEY, FREELOADER! WANT TO DO YOUR PART FOR THE COMMUNITY? WELL DOMO SCANS IS NOW RECRUITING FOR ALL POSITIONS! SO, WHETHER YOU DECYPHER THE MOON RUNES, BUST DIRT, ARE A GRAMMAR NAZI, OR RAGE AT THE SIGN TYPESET WITH COMIC SANS, APPLY NOW WITH DOMO SCANS AND SATISFY YOUR SCANLATING URGES.

IF YA GOTTA SATISFY YOUR URGES... DATS IS HIRING TOO. FOR ALL THAT SHIT, AND MORE. JUST POKE US, AND WE'LL BITE RIGHT BACK AT YOU WITH SOME WORK. ;)

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